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Entry of the foregoing amendments to correct improper claim dependencies prior to the initial examination of the above-captioned application is requested.

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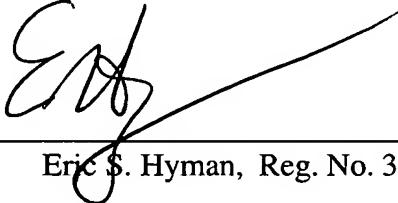
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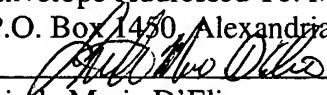
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